

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM.

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

Ident. Number: A43-02388
Date Received: 6/20/1989
Receipt No: M003768
Received By: _____

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

1. Name: DOUGLAS R. HARPER
Address: MALTA, ID 83342 208-645-2278

2. Date of Priority: FEB 23, 1953

3. Source: GROUNDWATER Trib. to:

4. Point of Diversion:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4 of	1/4	Lot	County
12S	26E	36	SW	NW	NE		CASSIA

5. Description of diverting works:
120' WELL W/ 16" CASING AND 60 HP PUMP

6. Water is used for the following purposes:

Purpose	From	To	C.F.S	(or)	A.F.A.
IRRIGATION	03/15	11/15	2.180		
STOCKWATER	01/01	12/31	0.020		

7. Total Quantity Appropriated is:
2.200 C.F.S. (and/or) A.F.A.

8. Total consumptive use is Acre Feet Per Annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses:
S/

10. Place of Use:

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
12S	26E	36	NE	NE		IRR	35.0
			NW	NE		IRR	40.0

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10. Place of Use: Continued

Township	Range	Section	1/4 of	1/4	Lot	Use	Acres
12S	26E	36	SW	NE		IRR	40.0
			SE	NE		IRR	35.0
			NE	NW		IRR	35.0
			SE	NW		IRR	40.0
						Section Acres	225.0
						Total Acres	225.0

11. Place of use in counties: CASSIA

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? YES

13. Other Water Rights Used:
43-00294, 43-00295, 43-00296B

14. Remarks:
TRANS. 1891 DENIED.
THIS PLACE OF USE HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO COVER THE AREA INDICATED
ABOVE. SEE LETTER FROM NEIGHBOR- BUD TRACY

15. Basis of Claim: LICENSE
Water Right Number: 23783

16. Signature(s)

(a.) By signing below, I/We acknowledge that I/We have received, read and understand the form entitled "How you will receive notice in the Snake River Basin Adjudication." (b.) I/We do _____ do not _____ wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

Number of attachments: _____

For Individuals:

I/We do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Claimant(s): _____ Date: _____
_____ Date: _____

State of Idaho)
County of _____) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this _____ day
of _____ 19 _____

Notary Public

Seal

Residing at _____
My Commission Expires _____

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Date Received

2/22/53 5/31/

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Department of Water Resources

NOTICE OF CLAIM
TO A
WATER RIGHT
ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

Please type or print clearly

1. Name of Claimant (s) Douglas R Harper Phone (208) 645-2278Mailing Address HC 61 Box 1156 Zip 833422. Date of Priority (Only one (1) per claim) 2/23/19533. Source of water supply (a) ground water
which is tributary to (b) _____4. a. Location of existing point of diversion is: Township 12S Range 26E Section 36,
SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Govt. Lot, _____ B.M., County of Cassia

Additional points of diversion if any: _____

b. If instream flow, beginning point of claimed instream flow is:

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____, _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4,

Govt. Lot _____ B.M., County of _____

ending point is: Township _____ Range _____ Section _____, _____ 1/4 of _____ 1/4 of _____

_____ 1/4, Govt. Lot _____ B.M., County of _____

5. Description of existing diversion works (Dams, Reservoirs, Ditches, Wells, Pumps, Pipelines, Headgates, Etc),
including the dates of any changes or enlargements in use, the dimensions of the diversion works as
constructed and as enlarged and the depth of each well.60 Hp motor 16" casing
all the way 120" deep

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6. Water is claimed for the following purposes:

(both dates are inclusive)

(cfs)

(acre feet)

For Irrigation purposes from 3/15 to 11/15 amount 2.20 or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

For _____ purposes from _____ to _____ amount _____ or _____

7. Total quantity claimed (a) 2.20 (cfs) and/or (b) _____ (acre feet)

8. Total consumptive use claimed is 720 acre feet per annum.

9. Non-irrigation uses; describe fully (eg. Domestic: Give number of households served; Stockwater: Type and number of livestock Etc.) _____

10. Description of place of use:

a. If water is for irrigation, indicate acreage in each subdivision in the tabulation below.

b. If water is used for other purposes, place a symbol of use (example: D for Domestic) in the corresponding place of use below. See instructions for standard symbols.

TWP	RNG	SEC	NE 1/4				NW 1/4				SW 1/4				SE 1/4				Totals
			NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	NE1/4	NW1/4	SW1/4	SE1/4	
12S	26E	36	35	40		35													115
12S	26E	36			40	35			40										115
					Expander Area														

Total number of acres irrigated 230

11. In which county (ies) are lands listed above as place of use located? Cassia

12. Do you own the property listed above as place of use? Yes X No _____
If your answer is No, describe in Remarks below the authority you have to claim this water right.

13. Describe any other water rights used at the same place and for the same purposes as described above.
43-00294, 43-00295, 43-00296-B or None ()

14. Remarks: This place of use area has been expanded
to cover the area indicated above. See
attached letter from neighbor - Bud Tracy

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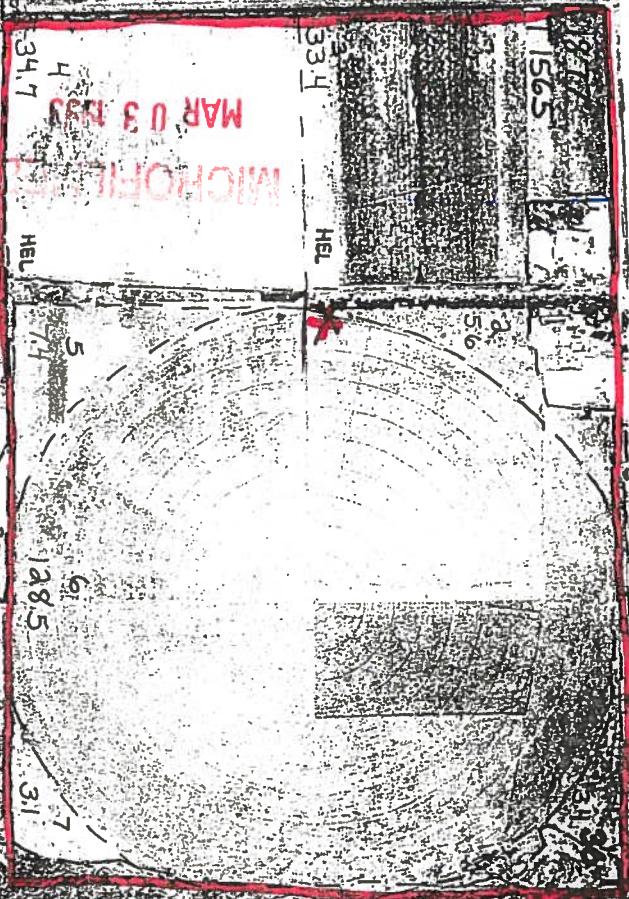
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DO-21
S-25
T-12
R-24

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15. Basis of Claim (check one) ☐ Beneficial Use ☐ Posted Notice ☒ License ☐ Permit ☐ Decree
If applicable provide IDWR Water Right Number 43-02388
Court _____ Case Number _____ Decree Date _____
Plaintiff vs Defendant _____

16. Signature (s)

(a.) By signing below, I/We acknowledge that I/We have received, read, and understand the form entitled "How you will receive notice in the Snake River Basin Adjudication." (b.) I/We do _____ do not _____ wish to receive and pay a small annual fee for monthly copies of the docket sheet.

Number of attachments _____

For Individuals: I do solemnly swear or affirm that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Claimant (s) Douglas R Harper

Date 5-31-88

Date _____

For Organizations: I do solemnly swear or affirm that I am _____

Title

of _____, that I have signed the foregoing

Organization

document in the space below as _____ of _____

Title

Organization

and that the statements contained in the foregoing document are true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Agent _____

Title and Organization _____ Date _____

State of Idaho/or _____)
County of Cassia) SS.

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 31st day of May 19 89

SEAL

Notary Public Robert V. Horstelt

Residing at Twin Falls, Idaho

My Commission Expires 1/16/1995

Please Print Name

17. Notice of Appearance:

Notice is hereby given that I, _____ will be acting as attorney at law on behalf of the claimant signing above, and that all notices required by law to be mailed by the director to the claimant signing above should be mailed to me at the address listed below.

Signature _____

Address _____

Date _____

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Last Name _____ Ident. Number _____

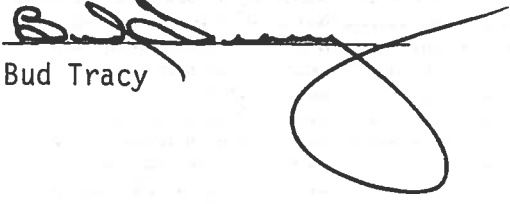
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May 30, 1989

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The purpose of this letter is to record my knowledge of Douglas R. Harper expanding his water right in the Spring of 1971 to the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 12 South, Range 27 East. Furthermore, in the Spring of 1974, he expanded his usage to the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 12 South, Range 26 East.

Through conservative practices, he continues to irrigate said land as of this writing.

Signed: 

Bud Tracy

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Water Right Number - 43-02388 Adj. Flag Translation: Standard Water Right Number Old (D) Number - 23783

*** C - CURRENT OWNER ***
HARPER
Last Name - + First Name - +
DOUGLAS R.

1 -
2 -
3 -
City- MALTA
phone -
State- ID Zip- 83342

+ - Priority Date - + 17
02/23/1953
+ - Region - +
+ - Stage - +
L - LICENSE
+ - Status - +

+ - Source - +
GROUNDWATER
+ - Tributary - +

TwN Rng Sec Tract Lot Rfig County Point of Diversion
12S 26E 36 NW NE (31) CASSIA
Stream Index (Blank if no index code)

Code Description Period From Period To Water Use Diversion Rate Diversion Volume
01 - IRRIGATION
04 - STOCKWATER
2.200

+ - Total Div. Rate - + - Total Div. Volume - + - Total Div. Capacity - + - Total Consumptive Use - + - KW Usage - +
2.200

TwN	Rng	Sec	Tract	Lot	Acres	Place of Use	Code	Description	County
12S	26E	36	NE NE		35.0	01	IRRIGATION	(31) CASSIA	
12S	26E	36	NW NE		40.0	01	IRRIGATION	(31) CASSIA	
12S	26E	36	SE NE		35.0	01	IRRIGATION	(31) CASSIA	

Total Acres: 110.0

+ - Diversion Means -

+ - Non-Irrigation Use -

+ - Other Rights for Same Use -

TRANS. 1891 DENIED.
Remarks -

Conditions of Approval -
No Conditions of Approval found.

+ - Decree Plaintiff - +
+ - Decree Defendant - +
Decree Date - +
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Water right number - 43-02388

Adj. flag translation: Standard Water Right Number

+ - - Microfilm Rolls -

+ - - Audit Fields - 02/11/85

05/28/88 CONVERT

+ - - - - - Water Rights Dates and Flags Area - - - - -

Proof Due Date	- 00/00/0000	Field Exam Made	- 00/00/0000	Field Exam Fee	-
Approved/Denied	- 00/00/0000	Protested Date	- 00/00/0000	Swan Falls	-
Proof Made Date	- 00/00/0000	Hearing Date	- 00/00/0000	Temporary Right	- P
Start Work Date	- 00/00/0000	Verified Date	- 02/11/1985	DLE/Carey Act	-
Order Show Cause	- 00/00/0000	Receipt Number	-	Water District	-
Licensed Date	- 06/28/1979	Appl Received	- 00/00/0000	Transfer/Amended	-
Decree Date	- 00/00/0000				

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04/04/2001

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION OF WATER RIGHTS ACQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW

RIGHT NUMBER: 43-2388

NAME AND ADDRESS: DOUGLAS R HARPER
1300 S 2201
MALTA, ID 83342

SOURCE: GROUND WATER

VERIFIED BY: *KKC*

QUANTITY: 2.2 CFS

THE QUANTITY OF WATER UNDER THIS RIGHT FOR STOCKWATER USE SHALL NOT EXCEED 13,000 GALLONS PER DAY.

USE OF THE RIGHTS LISTED BELOW IS LIMITED TO A TOTAL COMBINED DIVERSION RATE OF 2.18 CFS AND TO A TOTAL COMBINED ANNUAL DIVERSION VOLUME OF 440 AF. COMBINED RIGHT NOS.: 43-2388 AND 43-12993.

PRIORITY DATE: 02/23/1953

POINT OF DIVERSION: T12S R26E S36 SNNWNE Within CASSIA County

PURPOSE AND
PERIOD OF USE:

PURPOSE OF USE	PERIOD OF USE	QUANTITY
IRRIGATION	03-15 11-15	2.18 CFS
		440.00 AFY
STOCKWATER	01-01 12-31	0.02 CFS

PLACE OF USE:

<u>IRRIGATION Within CASSIA County</u>					
T12S R26E S36	NENE	38	T12S R26E S36	NWNE	36
T12S R26E S36	SWNE	40	T12S R26E S36	SENE	35
T12S R26E S36	NENW	36	T12S R26E S36	SENE	40
<u>STOCKWATER Within CASSIA County</u>					
T12S R26E S25	SWSE		T12S R26E S36	NENE	
T12S R26E S36	NWNE		T12S R26E S36	SWNE	
T12S R26E S36	SENE		T12S R26E S36	NENW	
T12S R26E S36	SENE		T12S R26E S36	NESE	

225 ACRES TOTAL

THIS RIGHT IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF 110 ACRES WITHIN THE PLACE OF USE DESCRIBED ABOVE IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON.

USE OF THE RIGHTS LISTED BELOW IS LIMITED TO THE IRRIGATION OF A COMBINED TOTAL OF 225 ACRES IN A SINGLE IRRIGATION SEASON. COMBINED RIGHT NOS. 43-294, 43-295, 43-296B, 43-2388, 43-12992 AND 43-12993.

OTHER PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR DEFINITION OR ADMINISTRATION OF THIS WATER RIGHT:

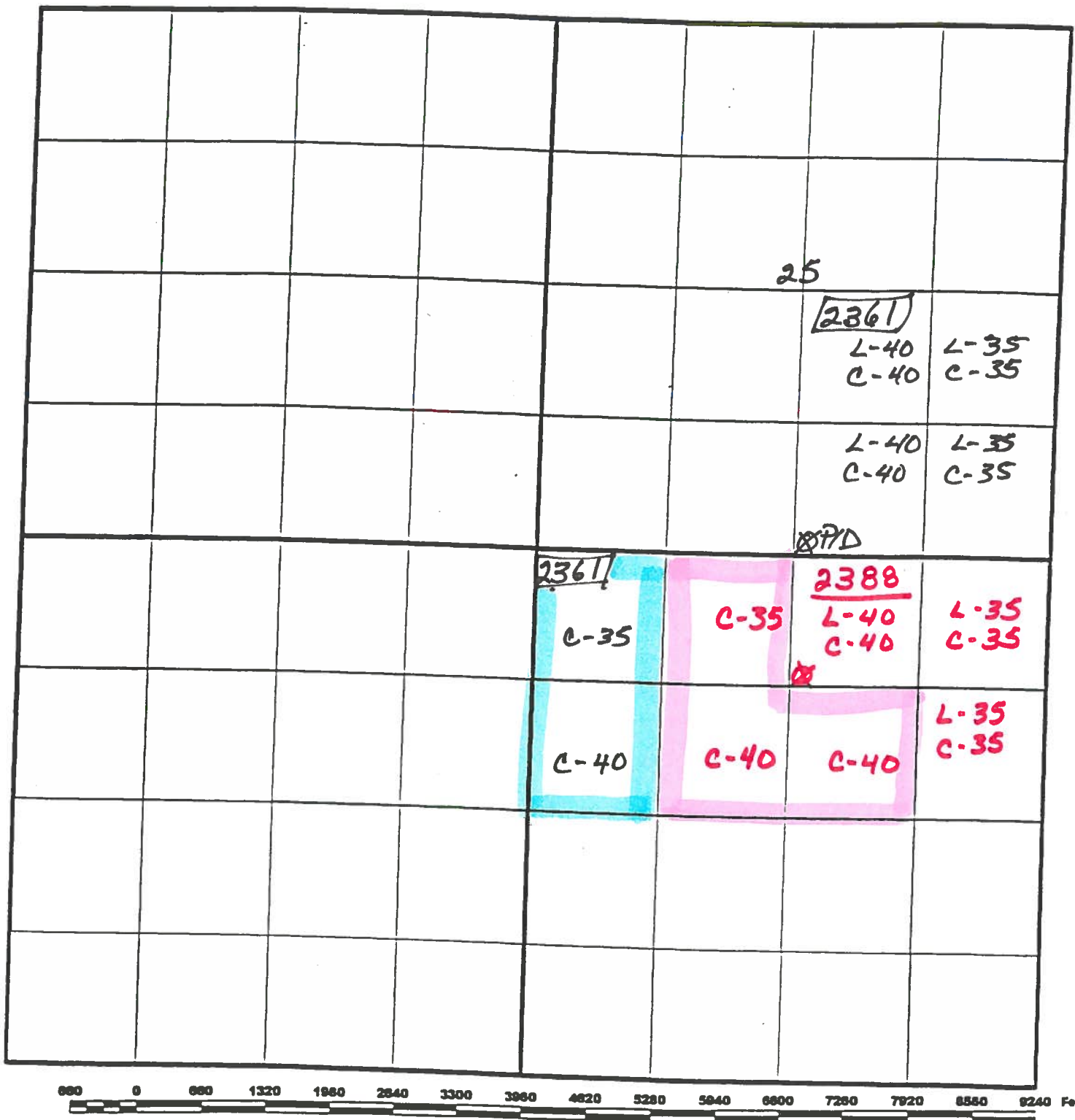
THIS PARTIAL DECREE IS SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL PROVISIONS NECESSARY FOR THE DEFINITION OF THE RIGHTS OR FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE WATER RIGHTS AS MAY BE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE COURT AT A POINT IN TIME NO LATER THAN THE ENTRY OF A FINAL UNIFIED DECREE. SECTION 42-1412(6), IDAHO CODE.

THE QUANTITY OF WATER DECREED FOR THIS WATER RIGHT FOR STOCKWATER USE IS NOT A DETERMINATION OF HISTORICAL BENEFICIAL USE.

EXPLANATORY MATERIAL: BASIS OF CLAIM - License

RIGHT NO. 43-12993 IS AN EXPANSION OF THIS RIGHT PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-1416B, IDAHO CODE.

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES



Licensed on 110 ac. Stock &
 2-23-53 2.2 CFS WD

Analysis by Owner of overlapping rights
claims overlapping - Douglas Harper, Ronald Harper, Laver Tracy
DOUGLAS HARPER.

Claimed w/ expansions on additional ground
both license and deeded rights

Base acres are 110 as licensed under 2388
implication is that the decree acre total is the same
(10 Acres excluded seem to be a farmstead &/or the
stream channel.) there is a discrepancy in
the claimed acres per 40 Acre tract in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec.

Farmstead exists in the NW NE & the stream channel
runs along the east side of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 36.

There is an 85 Acre overlap with Ron Harper's 293A
claim (Prob. a data entry error on 293A) E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec

Claims in Sec 6 (86, 87, 88) agree with decree
no obvious prob. exist.

Ron Harper.

Claims also include expansion acres.

Major overlap question regarding 293, question = did
the decree cover all of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 25 or just the
10 Acres now owned by Tracy?

Again, overlap with Douglas Harper in E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 36
Prob data entry error on 293A.

Claimed rate for 293A does not agree with obvious
proportional split analysis.

*KC
10-11-94

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Analysis by Owner of overlapping Reg 4b (cont)
claims overlapping Douglas Harper, Ronald Harper, Laverne Tracy

LAVERNE TRACY

Has claimed all of 293 but Ronald Harper has also claimed a portion of that right. No obvious answer (See Ron H. review on prev pg).

296 was decreed to the ground claimed by Tracy. Tracy's portion is not claimed at this time (is it possible that the total delivered rate is actually part 293 & part 296 but just claimed as 293 only?)

293 split review (2.8 CFS)

Harper claim	Tracy Balance
1.40 CFS	1.40 CFS
Prop. based upon Total irrawaddy with in dec. P/21	
1.09 CFS	1.71 CFS

Balance of 296 not claimed = 0.83 CFS.

KKC
10-11-94

CLAIM NUMBERS _____

DATE _____

AGENT _____

AGENT _____

TRANSFER NUMBER

HOMESTEAD ENTRY NO. _____

CLAIMED ACRE TOTAL

GEOGRAPHIC INFO ACRES _____

				NE				NW				SW				SE			
	TNS	RNG	SEC	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE
43293			25													X			X
43-302			25														X	X	
43-296			25													X	X	X	X
RON 293A			25													35			35
RON 296A			25													35	40	35	35
RON 302																	40	35	
TRACY 293B																5			5
43-293			30									X	X						
43-296			30									X	X						
TRACY 293B			30									50	50						100
43-294			36	X	X		X												
43295			36	X	X		X												
43296			36	X	X		X												
RON 293A								40			35								75
RON 296A									40	35									75
Doug 294			36	40	35	40	40	35			40								230
Doug 295			36	40	35	40	40	35			40								230
Doug 296B			36	40	35	40	40	35			40								230
ownership issue																			





State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

1341 Fillmore Street, Suite 200, Twin Falls, ID 83301-3380

Phone: (208) 736-3033 FAX: (208) 736-3037

SOUTHERN REGION

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

KARL J. DREHER
DIRECTOR

May 17, 1999

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DOUGLAS R HARPER
HC 61 BOX 1156
MALTA ID 83342

RE: SNAKE RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION CLAIM: A43-02388, A43-00294, A43-00295, & A43-00296B

Dear Mr Harper

The department is scheduled to submit its director's report for basin 43 to the Snake River Basin Adjudication court late this fall. Accordingly, the department has scheduled this summer for field verification of adjudication claims in order to prepare the director's report. With this letter I am attempting to explain some of the changes to Idaho code and court procedures that directly affect your water rights. I understand that much of this may be difficult to follow and I expect to meet personally with you in Malta sometime this spring to go through this in depth. If you wish to call, you can reach me at the above listed number.

At claims taking in 1989, you filed the above claims in accordance to court and department directions. Since that time, through legal challenges and a change in Idaho code, the method of identifying enlargements to licensed and decreed rights have changed. The enlargements for groundwater and decreed surface water rights are treated differently and I am, therefore, addressing them separately.

As I have not visited your property or reviewed your claims with you, I have not formed a recommendation for your rights at this time. I did, however, review the evidence relating to the enlargements and, barring contrary information, find that it is sufficient to establish the priority dates for the enlargement claims. This is based upon the assumption that the groundwater and surface water systems both were applied to the new acreage at the same time. The evidence submitted identifies two different enlargement dates of 1971 for the SENE of sec 36 and 1974 for the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 36.

The filing fee for each new claim is \$50.00. As you claimed all acres and paid the variable fees for those acres at the time of the original filing, there is no additional acreage fee due. Also, although the original time for claim taking has past, no late fee is due as your original filings were timely. I have enclosed several irrigation claim forms for your use.

I have also attached copies of the Idaho code sections 42-1416B and 42-1426 mentioned in the following paragraphs.

**ENLARGEMENT OF 43-02388
(groundwater)**

The mandatory permit statute for groundwater rights was enacted on March 25, 1963 and the Raft River Critical groundwater area closed July 23, 1963. This right was licensed for 110 acres and is now claimed on 225 acres. As all enlargements from a groundwater source within a critical groundwater management area will receive a June 30, 1985 priority date (see 42-1416B) and both parcels were developed prior to 1985, only one claim needs to be filed for those enlargements. The claim would be for the difference between the licensed 110 acres and the total irrigated place of use. No additional diversion rate can be recommended.

**ENLARGEMENT OF 43-00294, 43-00295, & 43-00296B
(decreed surface water rights)**

The decreed rights place of uses are the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, all in sec 36. As Idaho code establishes different regulations for surface water rights you have different options for the 'newly' irrigated acres from a surface water source.

Option 1.

For ground irrigated prior to May 20, 1971 (the mandatory permit date for surface water) a beneficial use based right may be claimed. This claim can include an additional diversion rate for those acres if developed and delivered. The approximate 40 acres within the SESE of sec 36 appear to fall within this definition. If so you may claim those acres as a beneficial use with the applicable diversion rate. This would not be considered or analyzed as an enlargement claim.

Option 2.

The evidence submitted for the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 36 indicates that that ground was first irrigated in 1974. Based upon that information, this ground cannot legally be claimed under the beneficial use category. Those acres, however, can be claimed as enlargement acres as described in 42-1426 (attached). They would have a 1974 priority date but with no additional diversion rate.

Option 3.

You could combine the place of use under options 1 and 2 and file just one new claim for the surface water enlargement. This claim would have the 1974 priority date, be limited to the original decreed diversion rate, and include the combined place of use identified under each option.

I realize that all of this can be confusing as I am not able to discuss all details within this letter, but hopefully, this will be sufficient for you to understand the basics of your choices.

Sincerely

Kelly K Christensen
Senior Water Resource Agent
Enclosures

TITLE 42
IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE -- WATER
RIGHTS AND RECLAMATION
CHAPTER 14

ADJUDICATION OF WATER RIGHTS

42-1416B. CLAIM FOR EXPANDED USE IN CRITICAL GROUND WATER AREA -- DETERMINATION OF WATER AVAILABILITY.

- (1) Within any critical ground water area designated pursuant to section 42-233a, Idaho Code, a claim to the expanded use of a ground water right, which use was expanded in violation of the mandatory permit requirements, may be decreed in a general water rights adjudication if the expansion occurred after the designation of the critical ground water area, before the commencement of the adjudication, and before the date of enactment of this section. The priority date for the right decreed shall be June 30, 1985.
- (2) Water shall be deemed unavailable to fill the rights for expanded use, even if decreed in the adjudication, unless the director finds that a management program exists which will, within a time period acceptable to the director, limit the average annual water withdrawals from the aquifer designated in the critical ground water area to no more than the average annual recharge to the aquifer.
- (3) Within two (2) years after a decree determining the water rights within a critical ground water area becomes final, but not sooner than four (4) years from the date of enactment of this section the director of the department of water resources shall make a finding as to whether an adequate management program exists to bring withdrawals into balance with recharge.
- (4) If the director finds that an adequate management program to bring withdrawals into balance with recharge does not exist, the director shall order all holders of rights to expanded use of ground water within the area to cease or reduce withdrawal of water until such time as the director determines that withdrawals have been brought into balance with recharge and sufficient ground water is available to resume or increase withdrawals. The director's order shall be issued before September 1 and shall be effective beginning with the following growing season.
- (5) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
 - (a) "Expanded use" means an increase in the number of acres irrigated, or other additional use, under a valid ground water right without any increase in the rate of diversion or volume of water diverted.
 - (b) "Management program" means a program to recharge the aquifer, limit withdrawals from the aquifer or provide surface water supplies for all, or a portion, of the land irrigated with water withdrawn from the aquifer, including any actions designed to bring withdrawals into balance with the average annual recharge to the aquifer.
 - (c) "Recharge" refers to all processes, natural or artificial, which add water to the aquifer.
 - (d) "Withdrawal" refers to all processes, natural or artificial, which take water from the aquifer.
- (6) The hearing and judicial review provisions of section 42-1701A, Idaho Code, shall apply to any findings and orders issued by the director pursuant to this section.
- (7) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the director of the department of water resources to administer and enforce any other ground water laws of the state.

TITLE 42
IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE -- WATER
RIGHTS AND RECLAMATION
CHAPTER 14

ADJUDICATION OF WATER RIGHTS

42-1426. ENLARGEMENTS -- WAIVER OF MANDATORY PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

- (1) Legislative findings regarding enlargements:
 - (a) The legislature finds that prior to the commencement of the Snake River basin adjudication and subsequent to the mandatory permit system provided in sections 42-201 and 42-229, Idaho Code, persons entitled to the use of water or owning any land to which water has been made appurtenant by decree, license or constitutional appropriation have through water conservation and other means, enlarged the use of said water without increasing the rate of diversion and without complying with the mandatory permit system

adopted by the legislature. Enlargements have been done with the knowledge of other water users, and water has been distributed based upon the right as enlarged. Junior water users made appropriations based upon a water system that reflected these enlarged uses. Thus, the legislature further finds and declares that it is in the public interest to waive the mandatory permit requirements for these enlargements in use prior to the commencement of a general adjudication, so long as such enlargements in use did not increase the rate of diversion of the original water right or exceed the rate of diversion for irrigation provided in section 42-202, Idaho Code, after the enlargement of use, and the enlargement of use did not reduce the quantity of water available to other water rights existing on the date of the enlargement in use.

- (b) The legislature further finds that it is in the public interest to waive certain statutory provisions for the appropriation of water that has been diverted and applied to beneficial use to insure the economic and agricultural base in the state of Idaho as it existed on the date of the commencement of the Snake River basin adjudication and to maintain historic water use patterns existing on that date.
- (2) The mandatory permit requirements of sections 42-201 and/or 42-229, Idaho Code, are waived, and a new water right may be decreed for the enlarged use of the original water right based upon the diversion and application to beneficial use, with a priority date as of the date of completion of the enlargement of use for any enlargement occurring on or before November 19, 1987; provided however, that the rate of diversion of the original water right and the separate water right for the enlarged use, combined, shall not exceed the rate of diversion authorized for the original water right; and further provided, that the enlargement in use did not injure water rights existing on the date of the enlargement of use. An enlargement may be decreed if conditions directly related to the injury can be imposed on the original water right and the new water right that mitigate any injury to a water right existing on the date of enactment of this act. If injury to a water right later in time cannot be mitigated, then the new right for the enlarged use shall be advanced to a date one (1) day later than the priority date for the junior water right injured by the enlargement. It is further provided that any such enlargement of use allowed in a general adjudication shall not constitute an abandonment or forfeiture of the original water right to the extent of current use.
- 3) The director shall publish a notice of enlargement of water right for all water rights recommended under this section. The notice shall contain a summary of the notice of claim and shall be published in the same manner as notices for applications to appropriate water in section 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any person who has filed an application for a water right prior to the enactment of this act or who has been issued a permit for a water right prior to enactment of this act but who has not filed a claim in an adjudication shall have one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of last publication of the notice of enlargement of a water right under this section to file a petition with the department of water resources to assert any claimed injury from the enlargement. No appeal of the determination of the department shall be allowed. If the applicant or permittee is dissatisfied with the determination of the department on any claim of injury, the sole remedy is to intervene in the general adjudication and assert their claim of injury in an objection to the water right.